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Ideas from Yesterday-Thoughts for Tomorrow

The following editorial appeared in the SPIRIT of 70 last year and because of the importance of it we are re-printing it here in the MONARCH this year. The letter following it is from Father Robert, it speaks for itself.

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There are only two purposes by which power from a higher authority can be delegated to the members of this society; 1) to provide for the common good of the community, and 2) to prevent harm and annoyances to others. Their own gains are not sufficient reasons to warrant this authority. Does the administration of this college have the right to dictate certain principles just because; it will make them happier, in their opinion it is the right thing to do, and simply because they feel it is the right thing without actually giving reasons for their actions. I think not!

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I challenge each and every one of you to speak out, to demand reasons for their actions instead of idly sitting back and grumbling about the behavior of the administration of this college. This accomplishes nothing! If our opinions of legislation in this college are not heard and recognized (not necessarily agreed with) then we are being deprived of the basic rights upon which this country was established. The administration of this college has indicated that they are willing to consider our opinions if only we will present them.

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I dare each of you to demand the "whys" behind every action and every rule that is created by our administration. There is no reason why we should accept their policies and then do nothing but complain about the "new rules". Demand their reasons! Ask yourself, why did they do this? Challenge yourself, are they justified? And if you feel they are not, then ask yourself, if I don't like it, what am I going to do about it?

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But few do challenge them. If there is a new rule to be passed, if there is an issue brought before the administration, we must present our views concerning it. But, how do we do this? There are approximately 515 freshmen. Can we not unite and through our elected officials voice our opinions to the administration? The administration owes us the respect to listen to our opinions and we in turn should respect theirs. We must step back out of the picture and take an objective view of the policy in question and (even if refused by the administration) if we truly feel we are justified in our requests, we must present it to them again and again.

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March 17, 1967

Robert Fitzpatrick, Editor
The Spirit of '70

Dear Robert:

I was delighted to read your editorial in the March 17 issue of "The Spirit of '70." Quite frankly, the same question has gone through my mind many times. Why don't the students show more initiative in presenting their ideas to the Administration? As members of the College community, the students do have a say in college policy which affects them.

The present structure of the College affords the student the opportunity to make known his ideas on many matters. The Student Government is not an arm of the Administration; it belongs to the students, so why not utilize it? Week after week very few, if any, students attend the Student Government meetings. I would like to think that so many students would attend that the meetings would need to be moved into the cafeteria rather than tucked away in a corner of one of the lounges. What about your class meetings? How many attend them? Why not bring pressure to bear on your elective class officers to do something? How many students know about the SEAB meetings? As with most things, interest must show on the "grass-roots" level before it can have any influence on the higher.

In your desire to make changes--and undoubtedly some changes are needed--certain principles must be adhered to. Any changes must be in keeping with sound Christian principles, spring from unselfish and sincere motives, promote the welfare of the College, and uphold its image. Moreover, the student who endorses a change must put his reputation on the firing line and not quail when required to back his endorsement. The present code of dress, which was to be student-enforced, is a point in fact.

In closing, be assured that the Administration of the College is open to any and all suggestions which arise from a genuine desire to help.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Rev. Robert Velten, O.S.B.
Administrative Vice President

Spiritual Advice from The Abbet

Dear Abbet,

Two is company, but three is a crowd! When I opened the door to my room I was met by two smiling faces, and one bed. A closer look revealed one dresser with two drawers missing, a slightly used orange crate for a desk and a two legged milk stool for a chair. All of which were set against a stunning turquoise background. What can I do? Who can I turn to?

Signed,
Crowd-Eds

Dear Crowd:

Count thy blessings (as I do roomates) for I too share thy burden, for thou art probably sleeping on my bed. (P.S. I have the other leg to the stool). Ab.

Dear Abbet,

HELP!!! I am a scared Freshman. My sophmore roommate has been murmuring incoherent threats of an initiation. All I have made out, so far, is something about a lake, 4 a.m., snakes, a lonely road, a lot of mud, no clothes, and a postage stamp.

Tell me, do these things really mean anything?

Signed,
Scared-to-Death

Dear S.T.D.:

Pray my son, for many are chosen, but few return. Ab.

Dear Abbet,

Keep up the good work again this year. Your enlightening spiritual guidence has been a pillar of strength to many an unknowing soul. You're surely a credit to your fine Christian upbringing.

Signed,
Mom

GOLDEN LEGEND STRIKES AGAIN

The 1967 Golden Legend is on sale for the upperclassmen all next week at Brother Bernard's office, first floor of Saint Leo Hall. The prices are two dollars for the students and five dollars for the faculty.

...dog nearly itched to death

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Says Mrs. Konechno, Patron of the month...

Mrs. Konechno writes to us from Nyack, New Jersey

"My little poodle, Herman (I named him after my EX.) was only three months old when he developed split ends, watery eyes, A dry nose and A horrible itch. Boy did he itch! (Not my Ex., my dog) He would itch twenty four hours A day! It got so bad that I felt itchy just looking at him! It was terrible already! My family VET. (A St.Leo graduate) could not cure him and I was at the end of my wits. Then A friend of mine, Evee, she lives next door, she told me About the Monarch, so I tried it. I Lined my poochies box with it And within three days he was well again, split ends And all! I even had enough of your wonderfull paper to line my garbage can. Oh thank you for my dogs health And my peace of mind. I owe it All to the Monarch...

Mrs. Herman Konechno III

Our thanks to you Mrs. Konechno for your heartwarming story and we are glad we could help you, As we have helped countless others to enjoy A happier existance.

But now the Monarch needs help, to carry on this humanitarian effort. We need people who wish to help us carry on. Dedicated young Women (and men) who ARE interested in putting out A school paper that my change not only Mrs. Konechno's life but the Lives of ALL of us on campus.

there is a MEETING MON. Sept. 4TH AT 8:00 p.m. in Lion's Lounge (McDonald Center)

for all those interested in

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